

FOR: OFFICE OF CHIEF INVESTIGATOR

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of state government has nearly 35,000 employees and its agencies spend more than \$10 billion annually for the benefit of Hoosiers; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of state government has investigative capabilities within the Indiana State Police, state agencies, the Indiana State Ethics Commission, and the Indiana State Board of Accounts to ensure that all Executive Branch employees meet the highest standards of conduct; and

WHEREAS, these investigative units have uncovered instances of state employees who have engaged in fraudulent or unethical behavior which have been referred to proper authorities for action; and

WHEREAS, agency investigative units would benefit from additional coordination of efforts and resources, and from consultation regarding fraud detection programs; and

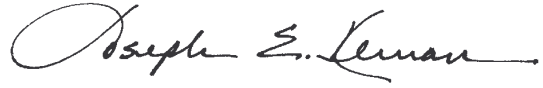
WHEREAS, a fraud prevention program based upon national best practices will complement these investigative efforts by deterring fraud by state employees and other persons from occurring in the first instance; and

WHEREAS, the best method to institute best practices in fraud prevention is to create a new office that is independent of other state agencies and has the Governor's authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. KERNAN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:

1. The Office of Chief Investigator is established.
2. The Chief Investigator is appointed by, and reports to, the Governor.
3. The Chief Investigator shall work with the State Police, State Ethics Commission, State Board of Accounts, and agency investigative units to coordinate efforts and resources, and consult with agency investigators regarding fraud detection;
4. The Chief Investigator shall examine fraud prevention procedures in all state agencies and may conduct interviews with, and obtain documents from, any and all Executive Branch employees as part of the Chief Investigator's responsibilities.
5. The Chief Investigator shall develop and implement best practices to build upon existing fraud prevention efforts.
6. The Chief Investigator shall be authorized to call upon the resources of the Indiana State Police, state agencies' internal investigators, the Indiana State Board of Ethics, and the Indiana State Board of Accounts to examine, develop, and implement fraud prevention practices.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Joseph E. Kernan, have herewith set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 27th day of April, 2004.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph E. Kernan". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Joseph E. Kernan
Governor of Indiana

ATTEST: Todd Rokita
 Secretary of State